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In re Application of:

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Edgar Smith

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For: COMPOSITE BIOSORBENT FOR
TREATMENT OF HEAVY METAL)
WASTE STREAMS

Examiner: K. Menon
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Docket No. 6381-27397

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 17, 2003, having a time set to expire of April 17, 2003, please consider the following amendments and remarks relating thereto:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-7, 20 and 22 without prejudice and disclaimer.

Claims 8, 14, 15, 19, and 21 have been amended.

Please add new claims 25-32.

A set of pending claims in compliance with the new rules for amendment of claims in revised format is enclosed. A separate version of the claims in clean-form is no longer required.

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